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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminarily amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Amend the specification as follows.

Insert the attached Sequence Listing in place of the originally-filed copy of the same.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-11 without prejudice or disclaimer and add claims 12-19 as follows:

--12. (new) A method of identifying a compound that inhibits the growth of an organism comprising the *ycf 24* gene, the method comprising

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